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PATENT
Docket No.: 55837US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DERAL T. MOSBEY, GILBERT L. EIAN,
MATTHEW T. SCHOLZ, RICHARD A. MALLO
and LING LUSerial No.: 09/966,511
Filed: September 28, 2001For: WATER-IN-OIL EMULSIONS WITH
ETHYLENE OXIDE GROUPS,
COMPOSITIONS, AND METHODS

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: L. Wells

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5-2-03**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The deadline for filing a response to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2002 originally required a reply by February 20, 2003, however was extended because of an Advisory Action dated April 11, 2003 until March 20, 2003.

Applicants desire additional time to respond to the Office Action, and therefore request that the deadline for reply to the Office Action be extended under the provisions of Rule 136(a) to April 20, 2003. Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$110.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) for consideration of this extension to Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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